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BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

### IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

DEBORAH STOLLER,

Petitioner,

-against-

SEW FAST/SEW EASY, INC.

Respondent.

Cancellation No. 92045274

Mark: STITCH & BITCH CAFÉ

Registration No.: 2,596,818

#### ANSWER TO AMENDED PETITION TO CANCEL

Respondent Sew Fast/Sew Easy, Inc. ("SFSE" or "Respondent"), by its undersigned attorneys, as and for its Answer to the Petition to Cancel alleges as follows:

- 1. With regard to the introductory paragraph, denies knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations regarding Petitioner's citizenship and therefore denies those allegations, admits that Petitioner has filed the instant Petition to Cancel, and otherwise denies the remaining allegations in the introductory paragraph.
- 2. Denies knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in paragraph 1, and therefore denies those allegations
- 3. Admits the allegations contained in paragraph 2 that Petitioner is listed as the applicant for intent-to-use application Serial No. 78/417575 for the mark STITCH 'N BITCH, and affirmatively avers that such application has been refused by the PTO, and otherwise denies the remaining allegations contained in paragraph 2.

- 4. Admits the allegations contained in paragraph 3 that Petitioner is listed as the applicant for intent-to-use application Serial No. 78/417582 for the mark STITCH 'N BITCH, and affirmatively avers that such application has been refused by the PTO, and otherwise denies the remaining allegations contained in paragraph 3.
- 5. Admits the allegations contained in paragraph 4 that Petitioner is listed as the applicant for intent-to-use application Serial No. 78/417593 for the mark STITCH 'N BITCH, and affirmatively avers that such application has been refused by the PTO, and otherwise denies the remaining allegations contained in paragraph 4.
- 6. Admits the allegations contained in paragraph 5 that Petitioner is listed as the applicant for intent-to-use application Serial No. 78/417589 for the mark STITCH 'N BITCH, and affirmatively avers that such application has been refused by the PTO, and otherwise denies the remaining allegations contained in paragraph 5.
- 7. Admits the allegations contained in paragraph 6 that Respondent is the owner of Registration No. 2596818 for the goods, services and classes specified therein.
- 8. Admits the allegations contained in paragraph 7, and affirmatively avers that Petitioner's applications for the mark STITCH 'N BITCH have been refused on the grounds that they are likely to cause confusion with Respondent's prior in time registration for the mark STITCH & BITCH CAFÉ for similar or related goods and services.
  - 9. Denies the allegations contained in paragraph 8.
- 10. Denies the allegations contained in paragraph 9, except admits that Registration No. 2596818 contains a disclaimer which in its entirety reads as follows: "No claim is made to the exclusive right to use 'café' apart from the mark as shown."

- 11. Admits the allegations contained in paragraph 10 that the symbol "&" can function as the equivalent of the word "and," just like the use of "'N" can function as the equivalent of the word "and."
  - 12. Denies the allegations contained in paragraph 11.
  - 13. Denies the allegations contained in paragraph 12.
  - 14. Denies the allegations contained in paragraph 13.
  - 15. Denies the allegations contained in paragraph 14.
  - 16. Denies the allegations contained in paragraph 15.
  - 17. Denies the allegations contained in paragraph 16.
  - 18. Denies the allegations contained in paragraph 17.
  - 19. Denies the allegations contained in paragraph 18.
- 20. Admits the allegations contained in paragraph 19 that Respondent filed an application for the mark STITCH & BITCH CAFÉ and affirmatively refers to specifications of goods and services set forth therein.
  - 21. Denies the allegations contained in paragraph 20.
  - 22. Denies the allegations contained in paragraph 21.
  - 23. Denies the allegations contained in paragraph 22.
  - 24. Denies the allegations contained in paragraph 23.
  - 25. Denies the allegations contained in paragraph 24.
- 26. Admits the allegations contained in paragraph 25 that the term "telecommunications" is included in the class heading for International Class 38.
  - 27. Denies the allegations contained in paragraph 26.
  - 28. Denies the allegations contained in paragraph 27.

- 29. Denies the allegations contained in paragraph 28.
- 30. Admits the allegations contained in paragraph 29 that Respondent's application for the mark STITCH & BITCH CAFÉ contained a first use date of November 1, 1998.
  - 31. Denies the allegations contained in paragraph 30.
  - 32. Denies the allegations contained in paragraph 31.
  - 33. Denies the allegations contained in paragraph 32.
  - 34. Denies the allegations contained in paragraph 33.
  - 35. Denies the allegations contained in paragraph 34.
  - 36. Denies the allegations contained in paragraph 35.
  - 37. Denies the allegations contained in paragraph 36.
- 38. Admits the allegations contained in paragraph 37 that Respondent filed an application for the mark STITCH & BITCH CAFÉ and affirmatively refers to specifications of goods and services set forth therein.
- 39. Admits the allegations contained in paragraph 38 that Respondent's application for the mark STITCH & BITCH CAFÉ contained a first use date of November 1, 1998.
  - 40. Denies the allegations contained in paragraph 39.
  - 41. Denies the allegations contained in paragraph 40.
  - 42. Denies the allegations contained in paragraph 41.
  - 43. Denies the allegations contained in paragraph 42.
  - 44. Denies the allegations contained in paragraph 43.
  - 45. Denies the allegations contained in paragraph 44.
  - 46. Denies the allegations contained in paragraph 45.
  - 47. Denies the allegations contained in paragraph 46.

- 48. Denies the allegations contained in paragraph 47.
- 49. Denies the allegations contained in paragraph 48.
- 50. Denies the allegations contained in paragraph 49.
- 51. Denies the allegations contained in paragraph 50.
- 52. Denies the allegations contained in paragraph 51.
- 53. Denies the allegations contained in paragraph 52.
- 54. Denies the allegations contained in paragraph 53.
- 55. Denies the allegations contained in paragraph 54.
- 56. Denies the allegations contained in paragraph 55.
- 57. Denies the allegations contained in paragraph 56.

### AS AND FOR A FIRST AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

58. Petitioner's Petition to Cancel fails to state any claim upon which relief may be granted.

# AS AND FOR A SECOND AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

59. Petitioner's claims are barred by the doctrines of waiver and estoppel.

## AS AND FOR A THIRD AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

60. Petitioner lacks standing to initiate the cancellation proceeding, as Petitioner does not have any rights in and to the mark STITCH 'N BITCH, has not made any use of the mark STITCH 'N BITCH, and/or did not and/or does not now have a bona fide intent to use the mark STITCH 'N BITCH in commerce.

WHEREFORE, Respondent respectfully requests that the Board dismiss this cancellation proceeding in it entirety.

Dated: New York, New York January 10, 2007

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By:

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#### CERTIFICATE OF TRANSMITTAL

I hereby certify that a true copy of the foregoing ANSWER TO PETITION TO CANCEL is being filed electronically with the TTAB via ESTTA on this day, January 10, 2007.

#### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing ANSWER TO PETITION TO CANCEL was served by hand upon Marie-Anne Mastrovito, Esq., Abelman, Frayne & Schwab, 666 Third Avenue, New York, New York 10017, as attorneys for Petitioner Deborah Stoller on this 10<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2007.